



VASSAR-WARNER HOME
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An Important COVID-19 Alert

February 1, 2022

Good afternoon,

As promised, here is the latest information.

All residents were tested this morning and 3 more residents are confirmed positive for COVID, bringing our current number to 4. We believe this outbreak could have been caused by a resident who was seen in a local emergency room this weekend, although this is not confirmed.

The Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health was here and they have directed us to do the following:

- Move those that tested positive to an area of the building that is together.
- There will be one staff stationed on the floor where the positive residents reside to ensure everyone's safety.
- Positive residents will not be allowed out of their rooms, and each have been given a commode.
- Positive residents will have their oxygen levels tested every 4 hours
- All non-positive residents **MUST** wear a mask once leaving their room.
- For the next 10 days, all residents, regardless of COVID status will eat all 3 meals in their individual rooms.
- Activities will be held on each floor but will involve non-touch activities.
- As I mentioned in yesterday's alert, all visitation, either in house or off property, will cease for at least 10 days. This includes all medical appointments.
- All residents will be retested on the 10th day (Friday 2/11) - and not any earlier.

The county is discouraging sending anyone out to the local hospitals unless it is absolutely necessary. They have also told us that there are no beds available at the local skilled nursing facilities to take our residents to quarantine.

I appreciate everyone's support with this challenge. We know you are all concerned, as we are. But I promise you we are doing everything in our power to keep everyone safe.

As always, please reach out should you have any questions and remember that we can always set up Zoom Video calls with your loved ones.

We will keep you all updated if there are any changes.

Be well,
Ericka and my fantastic Vassar-Warner Home Team



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